SEC. 4. This act to take effect from and after the first day When in force. of January next.

Ratified this 8th day of December, A. D. 1873.

CHAPTER XII.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE AUDITOR AND TREASURER TO SET-TLE WITH THE SURETIES OF JOHN FOLEY, LATE SHERIFF OF PITT COUNTY.

SECTION 1. The General Assembly of North Carolina do Settlement with enact, That the Auditor be and he is hereby authorized to ized. settle with the sureties of John Foley, late sheriff of Pitt county, certifying to the Treasurer the amount of the account after deducting the commissions and any errors and insolvents to which said Foley would have been entitled had he settled within the time prescribed by law; and the Treasurer is hereby authorized to receive the balance due on the certificate of the Auditor, and give said sureties a receipt for said balance in full.

SEC. 2. That upon a settlement as aforesaid by the sure-Relief. ties of said John Foley, they shall be relieved from the payment of all penalties incurred by reason of the delinquency of said Foley: Provided, Such relief shall not extend to Provided. costs; And provided, further, That the settlement herein provided for shall be made on or before the first day of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

SEC. 3. This act shall be in force from and after its ratifi- When in force. cation.

Ratified this 8th day of December, A. D. 1873.